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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Appln. No.: 09/421,273

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For:

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING PROTECTION CIRCUIT IMPLEMENTED BY

BIPOLAR TRANSISTOR FOR DISCHARGING STATIC CHARGE CURRENT AND

PROCESS OF FABRICATION

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 23, 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

## Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A semiconductor integrated circuit device provided on a semiconductor substrate of one conductivity type, comprising:

shallow trench isolating regions having a first depth, and provided in surface portions of said semiconductor substrate for defining active areas therebetween;

a terminal provided on said semiconductor substrate;

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